



## CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

### 24-HOUR REPORT

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#### (U) CALIFORNIA

##### (U) Fremont – Bay Area Woman Arrested for Starting Wildfire

(U) A Fremont woman was arrested this week after starting a wildfire in the Aspen Creek Tract area near Echo Summit, the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office said on Saturday. Deputies say the woman, identified as Viola Liu, 43, was on the scene when they arrived Wednesday morning. She was dressed in only a bikini top and bottom, and she was covered in scratches and soot. Liu later admitted to starting the fire. She was booked into the El Dorado County Jail for arson, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and resisting or obstructing a peace officer.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [CBS13](#)

##### (U) San Diego – San Diego Man Sentenced for Firearms Charges

(U) Grey Zamudio, a San Diego resident who has expressed racist and violent extremist sentiments on social media, was sentenced in federal court today to 24 months in custody for possessing a short barrel rifle and two silencers, none of which was registered as required by law. Zamudio pleaded guilty on 1 December 2020, to all three counts of possession of an unregistered rifle with a barrel of less than 16 inches and two unregistered silencers in violation of the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Act.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [US DOJ](#)

##### (U) San Francisco – Man Charged for Hate Crimes Against Asian-Owned Businesses

(U) A man was charged in 27 separate attacks against mostly Chinese-owned businesses in San Francisco. The city's District Attorney announced the charges yesterday, accusing the suspect of hate crimes between April and August 2021. The DA identified the suspect as Derik Barreto, who is accused of using a slingshot, pipe, or hammer to break windows of primarily Chinese-owned businesses along the Ocean Avenue corridor and in the Mission. He also burglarized a few of those businesses.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [KRON4](#)

#### (U) NATIONAL

##### (U) District of Columbia – Proud Boys Supported Pleads Guilty to 6 January Riot Threats

(U) Washington – A Proud Boys supporter pleaded guilty yesterday to making social media threats tied to the 6 January riot at the US Capitol, including a threat to kill an incoming US senator. The defendant, Eduard Florea, also admitted to storing a large collection of ammunition at his home in the New York City borough of Queens. Prosecutors said Florea used the moniker "LoneWolfWar" on Parler, a social media platform used by conservatives, to make threats before and during the riot, where supporters of Republican then-President Donald Trump tried to stop Congress from certifying Democrat Joe Biden's presidential election win.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [Reuters](#)

## UNCLASSIFIED

### **(U) Florida – USBP Seizes 65 Pounds of Cocaine Worth \$1.3 Million on Florida Keys Beach**

(U) Florida Keys – The US Border Patrol (USBP) is reporting that they have seized 65 pounds of cocaine from a beach in the Florida Keys. The discovery was made over the weekend by a good Samaritan who stumbled upon a large black bag filled with drugs. Authorities did not report the exact location the drugs were found, but they did report that the told package would sell for \$1.3 million on the street.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [850WFTL](#)

### **(U) Wisconsin – Pentagon Confirms Preparations to House Afghan Refugees in Wisconsin, Texas**

(U) Tomah – The Pentagon confirmed on Sunday that the Department of Defense (DoD) is preparing to house thousands of Afghan refugees on American military installations, immediately, including Fort McCoy in Wisconsin and Fort Bliss in Texas. Documents show the DoD is planning to potentially relocate up to 30,000 Afghan Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) applicants into the United States.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [NBC15](#)

## **(U) INTERNATIONAL**

### **(U) Afghanistan – Seven Killed in Incident at Kabul Airport**

(U) Kabul – Senior US military officials say the chaos at the Kabul airport yesterday morning left seven people dead, including some who fell from a departing American military transport jet. Afghans rushed onto the tarmac of the capital's airport on Monday as thousands tried to flee the country after the Taliban seized power. Some clung to the side of a US military plane before takeoff, in a widely shared video that captured the sense of desperation as America's 20-year war comes to an end.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [KRON4](#)

### **(U) Nigeria – Gunmen Abduct 19 People from College in Northwest Nigeria**

(U) Bakura – Gunmen abducted 15 students and four staff members from an agricultural college in the northwestern Nigerian state of Zamfara, police said yesterday. During the attack on Sunday night, the gunmen exchanged fire with a security team protecting the college, resulting in the deaths of one police officer and two guards, according to a spokesperson for Zamfara State police. Officers were combing the area surrounding the town of Bakura, where the college is located, in search of the victims, and three members of staff had been found and rescued.

SOURCE: 16 August 2021, [Reuters](#)

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